IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	Confirmation No.: 2410
Jayasimha Nuggeha	alli, et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2625
Application No. 10/791,335)	Examiner: Lennin R. Rodriguez
Filed: March 1, 2004)	
For: Multifunction Peripand Distribution	oheral for Data Collection)	

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This reply is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on January 29, 2008, the shortened statutory period for which runs until April 29, 2008. Please reconsider the subject application in light of the remarks below.

Claims 1-27 are pending.

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the performance of a thorough search.

SUMMARY OF THE REJECTIONS

Claims 1-4, 9-10, 12-16, 21, 24 and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Pat. Pub. 2001/0017700 ("Homma").